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DETAILED ACTION

This action responds to the request to initial the form PTO-1449, filed 15 July 2003 (Paper no. 10). Examiner acknowledges that the single listed reference was not initialed but the form was signed. This deficiency has been corrected and a copy is attached. The reference listed in the IDS was merely a different edition of the same reference cited in the rejection by Examiner in the first Office action on the merits, filed 20 November 2002 (Paper no. 7). The reference was considered.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Erik Kielin whose telephone number is 703-306-5980. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00 - 19:30 on Monday through Thursday.

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